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	MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Intelligence Community Staff	
	VIA: Acting Director, Planning and Policy Staff FROM: Deputy Director for Policy Planning and Policy Staff	25X1
	SUBJECT: Free World Space Programs	
25X1	1. Attached, for your signature, is a memorandum to Chairman, NIC requesting an interagency assessment to support decisions and negotiations related to development and use of the Space Station. This request is primarily motivated by recently expressed DoD concerns about the adequacy of the proposed agreement texts to protect the use of the Space Station for national security purposes—in particular for SDI experiments. 2. This request has been shown to the NSC staff (Col. May), the Assistant DUSD(P) (Mr. Phil Kunsberg), and the DASD(ISP)(Nuclear Forces and Arms Control Policy) (Mr. Frank Gaffney). Col. May supported the study in concept, but questioned the timing, since negotiations are scheduled to be completed by April 1987 to support formal signature by June 1987. Col. May declined to be listed as a sponsor because of the timing question. The OSD representatives supported the study. They felt that the study could still support the final phase of decisionmaking and that the projected negotiation schedule could slip further. 3. A draft of this request has also been sent to the NIC. The Chairman, NIC has agreed to accept this tasking, but he plans to send it to the DDI for action. The DDI has the resources to carry out the effort and there will be a time saving if it is prepared by the CIA without full interagency coordination. If needed the NIC would attempt to get interagency coordination on the product after delivery.	25X1
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4. We recognize that there is a risk that this product might not have its maximum impact if Space Station negotiations proceed quickly and agreements are finalized before it is issued. We think that these risks are outweighed by the potential gains—the ability to support informed national decisionmaking on the Space Station and other possible future cooperative
space projects. Recommend your signature on the attached memorandum.

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Attachment:

Memo - Goals of Free-World Space Program

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